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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

Please preserve the competitive telecom system we have now. Of course AT&T wants a monopoly so they can raise prices, decrease service, and harvest personal data without search warrants. I currently buy DSL and phone service from a competitor because they provide high quality support and do not collect my personal data for re-sale, and they provide this service at a very reasonably price. I am both a consumer and a small business owner and am painfully aware of how monopolies can and do impact small businesses when we have no alternatives. The prices are raised and the product and services are degraded. Please remember that competition is a cornerstone of our economy. It's not just about prices but about producing the best infrastructure to keep our country competitive in the global economy.

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